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Memorandum

U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

Subject: Petition for Import Eligibility Decision on
Nonconforming 1996 Honda CB750 (CB750F2T)
Motorcycles

Date: March 31, 2004

From: 
Coleman Sachs
Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance

To: Docket Management

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE OF VEHICLE SAFETY COMPLIANCE
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Please place the attached petition for a decision that nonconforming Honda
CB750 (CB750F2T) motorcycles are eligible for importation in Docket
No. NHTSA-2004-17472-1.

Attachment

SUPERBIKE RACING, INC.

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March 19, 2004

Mr. George Stevens
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
NSA-32, Room 6111
400 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Transmitted via facsimile
202-366-1024

RE: R-01-286

Dear Mr. Stevens:

Please find enclosed our Petition for Import Eligibility for a 1996 Honda CB 750 Motorcycle VIN # JH2RC42B4TM000382, pictures and other related documents. Any fees required may be charged to our Visa card # [REDACTED], expiration date [REDACTED]

Please contact me at the number listed below if you need further information.

Sincerely,


Andrew Wright

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March 15, 2004

PETITION FOR IMPORT ELIGIBILITY

RE: 1996 Honda CB 750
VIN # JH2RC42B4TM000382

Part 593.6 (a)(1)

The vehicle for which a determination is sought is a 1996 Honda CB 750 manufactured by Honda. We will refer to this as our vehicle.

Part 593.6 (a)(2)

This vehicle which we believe to be substantially similar to those for which determination is sought is a 1996 Honda CB 750 (US companion model) manufactured by Honda Motor Company.

Part 593.6 (a)(3)

The vehicle which we believe to be substantially similar was manufactured for importation into, and sale in the United States by its original manufacturer who affixed a label to it certifying that it complied with all applicable FMVSS.

Part 593.6 (a)(4)

While our vehicle, for which we seek your determination that it is substantially similar to the U.S. companion model vehicle, is not labeled as complying by the original manufacturer, we have carefully compared our vehicles with the U. S. certified model for compliance with the applicable FMVSS and find beyond a reasonable doubt that our vehicle is substantially similar to the U.S. companion model with respect to all applicable FMVSS.
We have also verified with Honda the similarities a the time of production.

Part 593.6 (a) (5)

The following outline is to show that our vehicles were either originally manufactured to conform to the FMVSS in many areas, in the same manner as its U.S. certified companion model, or because of its substantial similarity, are capable of being modified to conform to the FMVSS. The parts used to modify or conform these motorcycles to U.S. DOT specifications are new parts from the original manufacturer.

Please note that in order to further substantiate the sameness of parts or assemblies in our vehicles when compared with its companion model, we have included important part numbers in several typical FMVSS areas, i.e., where the part bears the same part number in reference to our vehicles as well as the U.S. companion model. This is done where such comparison can be easily made without complication which can exist merely due to options offered in given market areas, i.e., standard equipment in one market are possibly being an option at an extra cost in another, or vice versa; or as a result of engine-size options, or simply because a component is not offered as one unit but in a selection of many individual pieces, such as a body not being offered as a single body shell but only in many individual pieces.

FMVSS 106

The brake hose assemblies, including brake hoses and connections, are identical to those found in the U.S. companion model 1996 Honda CB 750

The brake line hoses come equipped from the original manufacturer with "DOT" stamped on them.

FMVSS 108

*The following modifications must be made to fully meet the FMVSS:

- a. Install U.S. model headlamp assemblies, which incorporate DOT approved headlamps.
- b. Replace all stop lamp and directional bulbs to DOT approved bulbs.
- c. Replace all lenses to DOT approved lenses.

FMVSS 111

The rearview mirrors are identical to that found in the U.S. certified companion model 1996 Honda CB 750.

FFVSS 116

The vehicles come equipped with "DOT" brake fluid. The DOT brake fluid information is molded into the cap of the brake fluid reservoir.

FFVSS 119

The vehicles have the required DOT identification information molded into the tires.

FFVSS 120

These vehicles are equipped with rims marked as per FMVSS 120. A label will be affixed to this motorcycle, which displays the recommended tire size, rim size, and cold inflation pressure.

FFVSS 122

The brake systems are identical to that found on the U.S. companion 1996 Honda CB 750 model year.

FFVSS 123

The following modification must be made to fully comply with this FMVSS safety standard.

A. Install U.S. model speedometer reading in miles per hour and odometer that reads in miles.

FFVSS 205

This vehicle is not equipped with a windshield.